Year	Total quantity dredged (in MM^3)
1996-97	10.94
1997-98	13.27
1998-99	24.71
1999-2000	20.99
2000-01	21.277
2001-2002	22.325

Since 2002-03, Dredging Corporation of India Limited is depth oriented and not based on volume. Targeted depth is 5.0 metres at Jellingham. Depth achieved is between 4.8 metres and 5.0 metres.

SSIs in Uttar Pradesh

489. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of small scale industries set up in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the year 2002-03, 2003-04 and till date;

(b) the number out of these that have been declared as sick;

(c) the number of workers that were employed in these units;

(d) the number of workers that have been rendered unemployed due to sickness of these units; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) As reported by the Government of Uttar Pradesh, the number of small scale industries set up and registered in the State during the year 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05 (April-June) were 30361, 30454 and 6474, respectively.

(b) Out of these registered units, no unit has been declared as sick.

(c) to (e) Do not arise in view of (b) above.

Manned Mission to Moon

490. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is ready to extend its help to US for a manned mission to Moon;

(b) what are the scientific experiments which are helpful for India;

(c) whether it is a part of the country's mission to Moon-Chandrayan-I by 2007 by using indigenous PSLV; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Setting up of Village Resource Centres

491. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is planning to set up 'Integrated' Village Resource Centres (VRCs) to give relevant information to villages and help through 'Computer and satellite-based connectivity';

(b) if so, the number of centres proposed to be set up and the States where they are likely to be set up;